

REMARKS

Claims 23-106 are pending in the application.

Claims 23-106 stood rejected in the preceding Office Action.

Claims 23-28, 30, 32-34, 37, 42, 44-45, 47, 60, 65, 67-68, 70, 83, 88, 90-91 and 97 have been amended. No new matter is added thereby.

Claim 107 has been added.


Formal Matters

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments and identifiers presented herein correct the deficiencies cited in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 7, 2006. No new matter is added thereby.

CONCLUSION

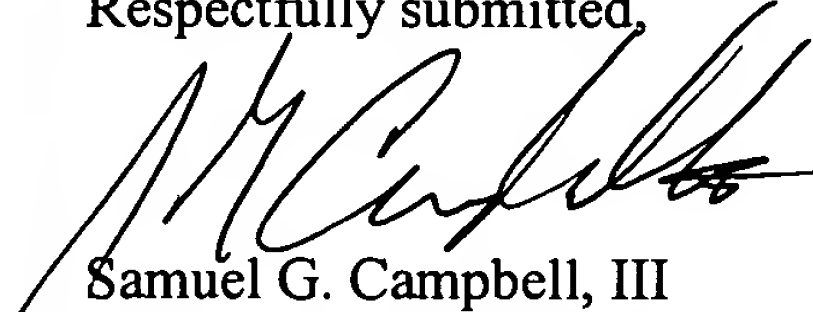
In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 512-439-5084.

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